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For: A Method and Apparatus for Feeding Image )  
Plates Used for Intraoral Dental X-Ray )  
Photography into a Reading Device )

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**PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT**

Sir:

Please preliminarily amend the above-referenced application as follows:

In the Specification:

Please insert a new heading prior to line 4, page 1 as follows:

--Technical Field--.

5 Please insert a new heading prior to line 8, page 1 as follows:

--Background of the Invention--.

Please insert a new heading prior to line 6, page 2 as follows:

--Summary of the Invention--.

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